

REMARKS

Claims 1-9 are pending in the application. By this Amendment, claims 1-9 are amended. Support for the claims can be found throughout the specification, including the original claim, and the drawings. Reconsideration in view of the above amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested.

The Office Action objected to claims 7-9 for informalities. By this Amendment, claims 1-9 are amended in accordance with the Examiner's comments. The objection should be withdrawn.

The Office Action rejected claims 1-9 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Reisman, U.S. Patent No. 6,611,862. The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Independent claim 1 recites a method for generating a multimedia user profile in indexing and browsing a multimedia object, comprising incorporating into the multimedia user profile ordering criteria information for a search item, and incorporating into the multimedia user profile user preference information on the ordering criteria information for the search item to display the search item to be browsed in a particular order based on the ordering criteria information according to a user preferred arrangement. Independent claim 7 recites a multimedia search and browsing method using a multimedia user profile in indexing and browsing a multimedia object. The

method of independent claim 7 comprises identifying ordering criteria information for a search item and user preference information on the ordering criteria information of the search item from the user profile, displaying search items in order of higher user preference on the basis of the item ordering criteria information according to the user preference information, and searching and browsing a search object indicated by the search items displayed according to the user preference information.

Independent claim 8 recites a method for generating search item preference information in indexing and browsing a multimedia object. The method comprises constructing a multimedia object by incorporating a search object comprising a multimedia data stream, a search item which is a criterion of indexing, connection information which connects each search item to the search object, ordering criteria information for indicating ordering criteria for each search item, the ordering criteria indicating a particular display order for the search item, and ordering information for each ordering criterion, and constructing a user profile by incorporating item categories for indicating items which are criteria of the search and browsing, and a user preference value indicating preference to the ordering criteria information of the multimedia object for each item category.

Independent claim 9 recites a multimedia search and browsing method using a user profile information in indexing and browsing a multimedia object. The method comprises identifying a search item which is a criterion of indexing and ordering criteria information for indicating ordering criteria for each search item from the multimedia object, the ordering criteria information indicating a particular display order for the search item, identifying item categories for indicating items which are criteria of the search and browsing, and a user preference value indicating preference to the ordering criteria information of the multimedia object for each item category from the user profile information, selecting the ordering criteria information in order of higher preference value according to the user profile information for each search item, displaying multimedia items based on user preference by using the ordering criteria information selected from the user profile information, and searching and browsing a search object indicated by the search items that the user preference information reflects.

Each of the respective claimed inventions of independent claims 1 and 7-9 utilize ordering criteria information. Referring, for example, to Figures 8A and 8B of the present application, ordering criteria information in accordance with the invention provides display order information for a particular criteria, such as priority, age, or name. In contrast to the claimed inventions of independent claim 1 and 7-9, Reisman discloses a

user station software that controls transport and presentation of content from a remote source. There is no disclosure or suggestion in Reisman of generating or utilizing ordering criteria information for a search item, as recited in each of independent claims 1 and 7-9, which indicates the display order of the search item. Thus, Reisman fails to disclose or suggest all of the features of independent claims 1 and 7-9, or the respective claimed combinations.

Accordingly, the rejection of independent claims 1 and 7-9 over Reisman should be withdrawn. Dependent claims 2-6 are allowable at least for the reasons discussed above with respect to independent claim 1, from which they depend, as well as for their added features.


In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that any additional changes would place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney, Carol L. Druzbeck, at the telephone number listed below.

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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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